Moving Forward

The Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Family Homelessness in King County

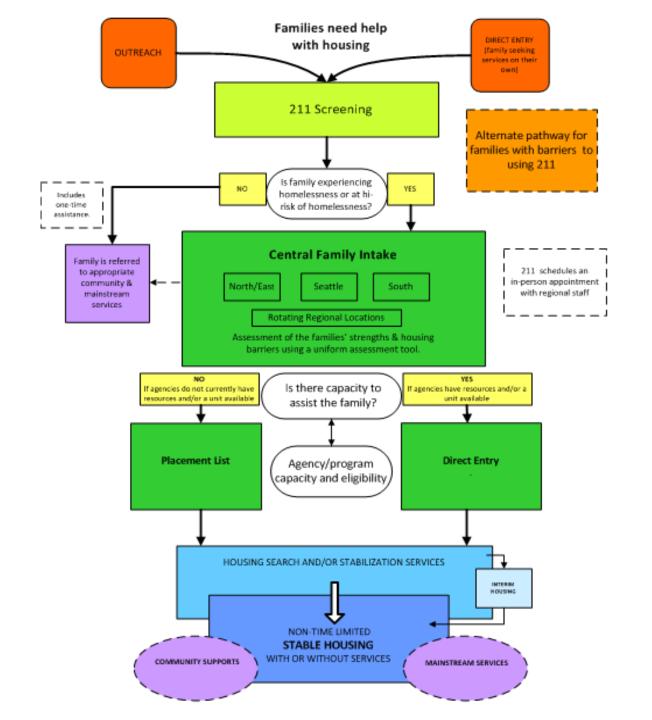
Our goals for today

- To involve providers and stakeholders during the implementation process
- To share what our next steps include
- To share with you some of our ideas to initiate dialogue around implementation

Where have we been?

- Landscape Assessment, Strategic Plan, and Implementation Plan are done and posted to our website:
- http://www.kingcounty.gov/socialservices/Housing/ServicesAndPrograms/Programs/Homeless/HomelessFamilies.aspx

- Fully Staffed
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Current System

Families enter program through direct contact with individual program

Emergency Shelter

Transitional Housing

Permanent Housing

Proposed System

System-wide coordinated entry and assessment matches families to services

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Interim Housing with focus of rapidly rehousing

Permanent Housing

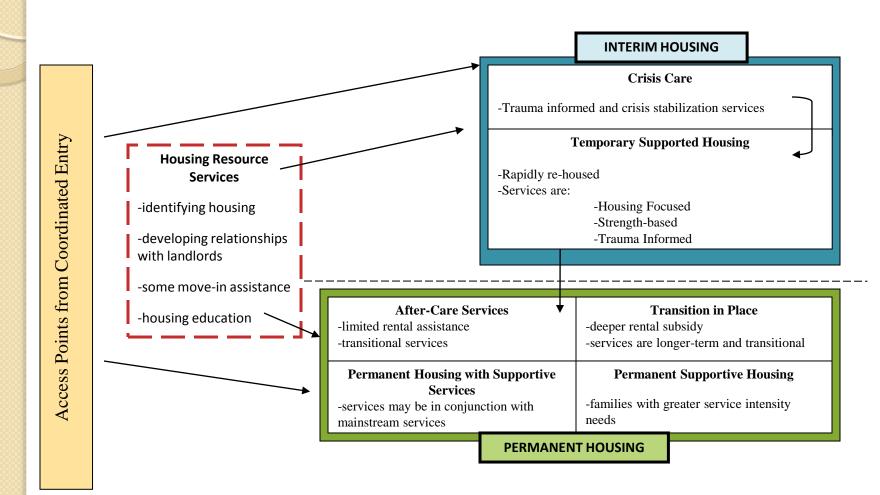
Appropriate and Targeted Services

Coordinated Entry

Status Update:

- The Model is established and being refined
- Domestic Violence providers and Immigrant/Refugee providers
- Working to finalize the budget
- RFQ May/June 2011

A Shift in Housing



How are we getting there?

- Work plan
 - Establishing benchmarks and action items based on the strategic and implementation plans
 - Feedback from consultant
- Community outreach and engagement
 - April Community Meetings
 - Regional work groups
- Oversight Committee
 - Feedback and input
 - Champions of the Family Homelessness Initiative
- Collaborations with funders
- On-going support
 - A plan to support program providers over the course of I-2 years (one-on-one technical assistance, professional development series, peer support and networking group)
- On-going evaluation

Immediate Next Steps

- April presenting to many community provider and stake holder meetings
- Regional meetings for follow up discussion
- Establishment of Oversight Committee
- Agency Surveys
- Coordinated Entry
- On-going collaboration with funders

Agency Surveys

- Understand where the community and each agency is in their readiness to implement the Housing Stability Model
- Non-punitive
- Tool to guide planners in a strategic, support and training plan
- Pre- and post-test for the community's transformation

Key messages we want to leave you with:

- Change is challenging!
- A holistic approach
- Provider empowering
- Shared goal better outcomes for families

Thank You!



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